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SUBJECT: SECURITY COUNCIL: SOUTH AFRICA

1. FURTHER DISCUSSIONS AMONG STAFF LEVEL REPS OF
US, UK, FRENCH, WEST GERMAN AND CANADIAN MISSIONS IN
LIGHT OF COMMENTS FROM CAPITALS RESULTED IN AMENDED
TEXT SET FORTH PARA 2 BELOW. CURRENT THINKING IS THAT
IF THIS AMENDED TEXT IS GENERALLY ACCEPTABLE,
IT WILL BE INFORMALLY PRESENTED TO AMBASSADOR HARRIMAN
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2. DECLARATION READS:

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DECLARATION ON SOUTHERN AFRICA

1. FREEDOM, JUSTICE AND PEACE IN THE WORLD
ARE FOUNDED ON THE RECOGNITION OF THE INHERENT DIGNITY AND OF
THE EQUAL AND INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE

HUMAN FAMILY;

2. CONDITIONS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA REQUIRE A PARTICULAR REAFFIRMATION OF THESE BASIC RIGHTS;

3. EVERY PERSON IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, AS ELSEWHERE, IS ENTITLED, WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF ANY KIND AS TO RACE, SEX, LANGUAGE OR RELIGION, TO THE FULL AND EQUAL ENJOYMENT OF POLITICAL, CIVIL, ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS WITHIN HIS COUNTRY;

4. THE FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEMS IN THE AREA ARE: IN SOUTH AFRICA, THE DENIAL OF BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS THROUGH THE EXISTENCE OF INSTITUTIONALIZED RACISM, APARTHEID; IN NAMIBIA, ILLEGAL OCCUPATION OF INTERNATIONAL TERRITORY; IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA, THE EXISTENCE OF AN ILLEGAL REPRESSIVE MINORITY REGIME;

5. THE FUNDAMENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE UNITED NATIONS ARE THE MAINTENANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY AND THE PROMOTION OF SOCIAL PROGRESS AND BETTER STANDARDS OF LIFE IN LARGER FREEDOM;

6. THE SECURITY COUNCIL REJECTS ALL ASPECTS OF THE APARTHEID SYSTEM AND ALL RELATED SYSTEMS WHICH IMPOSE SEPARATION BASED ON RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, INCLUDING THE IMPOSITION OF "BANTUSTANS", WHICH SEEK TO DIVIDE THE POPULATION AND DEPRIVE THE PEOPLE OF A JUST AND EQUITABLE SHARING OF THEIR NATIONAL PRODUCTION AND RESOURCES;
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7. THE SECURITY COUNCIL REGARDS THESE INHUMANE SYSTEMS AS FUNDAMENTAL VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND OF THE PURPOSES OF THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS. IT CONSIDERS THESE SYSTEMS TO BE ECONOMICALLY AND SOCIALLY UNWORKABLE ATTEMPTS TO ARREST CHANGE AND DIVIDE THE SOCIETY AT A TIME WHEN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL FORCES WITHIN THE SOCIETY AND THE WORLD ARE PRESSING TOWARD INTEGRATION AND INTERDEPENDENCE;

8. THE SECURITY COUNCIL RECOGNIZES THAT APARTHEID AND RELATED SYSTEMS THREATEN TO LEAD TO AN EVER-WIDENING DEPRIVATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS WHETHER BY SUPPORT OF OTHER MINORITY REGIMES, NO MATTER HOW ILLEGAL, THE TORTURE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS AND THE DEATH OF DETAINEES, AND THE GROWING ELIMINATION OF FREEDOM OF THOUGHT AND EXPRESSION BY SUCH OMINOUS ACTS AS RESTRAINTS ON THE PRESS;

9. GOVERNMENTS DERIVING THEIR AUTHORITY FROM THE

CONSENT OF THE GOVERNED MUST REPLACE THESE REPRESSIVE SYSTEMS. FULL AND EQUAL PARTNERSHIP OF ALL INDIVIDUALS MUST FIND ITS EXPRESSION THROUGH MAJORITY RULE WHICH MEANS THAT ALL, REGARDLESS OF RACE, ARE ENTITLED TO PARTICIPATE IN ALL PHASES OF NATIONAL LIFE AND TO JOIN IN FREELY DETERMINING THE POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CHARACTER OF THEIR SOCIETY WITH FULL REGARD FOR THE RIGHTS OF MINORITIES;

10. FAILURE TO END THE INSTITUTIONS OF APARTHEID AND RELATED SYSTEMS AS WELL AS THE OPPRESSION REQUIRED TO ATTEMPT TO MAINTAIN THEM HAVE PRODUCED VIOLENCE, AND WILL INEVITABLY ENCOURAGE EVEN GREATER VIOLENCE;

11. THE SECURITY COUNCIL EXPRESSES ITS SUPPORT FOR AND SOLIDARITY WITH ALL THOSE RIGHTLY STRIVING FOR THE ELIMINATION OF APARTHEID AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AND CONFIDENTIAL

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ALL VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE AND REPRESSION IN THE AREA.

12. THE COUNCIL AND ITS MEMBERS AFFIRM THEIR INTENTION TO USE THEIR COLLECTIVE EFFORTS TO BRING ABOUT THE ELIMINATION OF APARTHEID AND ALL FORMS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AND RECOGNIZE THE NEED FOR INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE VICTIMS OF SUCH OPPRESSION;

13. THE SECURITY COUNCIL RECOGNIZES THE COMPLEXITY OF THE ISSUES AND THE DIFFICULTY OF RESOLVING THEM. WHILE SOME CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE AND THERE HAS BEEN SOME RECOGNITION BY SOUTH AFRICA OF THE INTERNATIONAL STATUS OF NAMIBIA, NEVERTHELESS NO STEPS HAVE BEEN TAKEN TO DISMANTLE APARTHEID;

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14. SOUTH AFRICA MUST:

(A) TAKE TIMELY STEPS TO ELIMINATE THE POLICY
AND PRACTISE OF APARTHEID AND GRANT TO ALL
ELEMENTS OF THE POPULATION EQUAL RIGHTS
INCLUDING A FULL AND FREE VOICE IN THEIR DESTINY;

(B) TERMINATE ALL SYSTEMS AND PLANS UNDER WHATEVER
NAME WHICH FORCIBLY SEPARATE ELEMENTS OF THE
POPULATION ON THE BASIS OF RACE WHETHER WITHIN A
UNITARY STATE OR IN THE FORM OF SEPARATE POLITICAL UNITS;

(C) BRING ITS ILLEGAL OCCUPATION OF NAMIBIA TO A
SPEEDY CONCLUSION;
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(D) FACILITATE THE HOLDING IN NAMIBIA OF FREE
ELECTIONS UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE UNITED NATIONS
AND REFRAIN FROM ANY ACTIONS WHICH WOULD IMPEDE
THE HOLDING OF SUCH ELECTIONS WHICH MUST INCLUDE
ALL POLITICAL PARTIES;

--(E) IMMEDIATELY CEASE AND DESIST FROM ALL PROVISIONS
OF SUPPORT, ECONOMIC, POLITICAL OR MILITARY, TO
THE ILLEGAL REGIME IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA;)--
(COMMENT: DASHES DUE TO UK CONCERN AND DESIRE
TO SEEK FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS. END COMMENT.)

15. THE SECURITY COUNCIL WILL SEEK TO WORK CONSTRUCTIVELY
WITH OTHER PRINCIPAL ORGANS AND WITH THE GOVERNMENT
AND PEOPLE OF SOUTH AFRICA FOR A JUST AND PEACEABLE SOLUTION

TO THE PROBLEMS OF THE AREA.

16. THROUGH PEACEFUL COOPERATION AND WIDENING
RECOGNITION OF THE NEED TO FIND SOLUTIONS TO THESE
PROBLEMS A NEW ERA IN THE HISTORY OF MAN CAN BE BROUGHT
INTO BEING AND A MAJOR STEP TAKEN TO REALIZE THE GOALS
FOR WHICH THE UNITED NATIONS WAS ESTABLISHED;

17. ONLY IN SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES CAN THE INDEPENDENT
GOVERNMENTS OF AFRICA FULLY DEVOTE THEIR TIME AND
ATTENTION TO PRESSING DEVELOPMENTAL PROBLEMS AND CAN
SOUTH AFRICA MAKE ITS FULL CONTRIBUTION TO THE CONTINENT;

18. THE SECURITY COUNCIL AND ITS MEMBERS DECLARE
THEIR INTENTION TO SUPPORT ACTIONS AND INITIATIVES
DESIGNED TO PROMOTE THE RESOLUTION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH
THE ABOVE PRINCIPLES, OF THE PRESSING PROBLEMS OF SOUTHERN
AFRICA, TO ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF PRACTICAL PROGRESS
SO THAT ALL MEN MAY PRACTISE TOLERANCE AND LIVE TOGETHER
IN PEACE.

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